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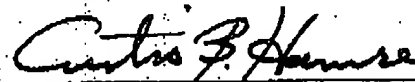
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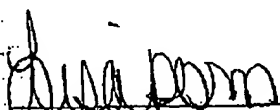
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This communication is in response to the Office Action issued September 13, 2001.

AMENDMENTSIn the Drawings

Please correct FIGs 1 and 2 as shown in the enclosed drawings.

In the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3 line 27 to page 4 line 12 as follows.

Furthermore, the fifth aspect according to the present invention provides the spectroscopic method for analyzing isotopes according to the third or the fourth aspect, wherein said isotopes of carbon dioxide gas as sample gas are  $^{12}\text{CO}_2$  and  $^{13}\text{CO}_2$  and said  $^{12}\text{CO}_2$  and  $^{13}\text{CO}_2$  have pairs of the following wavelengths